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APPLICANT: Peter C. Meltzer, et al.

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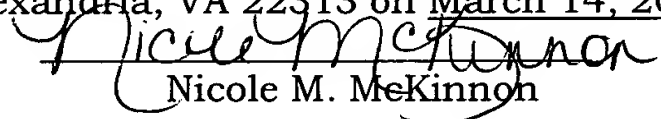
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
(FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION)

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 13, 2005 ("the Office Action"), the response time to which is extended to and including March 14, 2005 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, Applicants request entry of the

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following amendment and consideration of the remarks that follow. A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this Preliminary Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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